

COMPLETE SET OF PENDING CLAIMS

1-26. (Canceled)

27. (Currently Amended) A display panel manufacturing method, for connecting a pair of substrates arranged in opposition via a bonding agent arranged on a plurality of barrier ribs formed in a specific pattern on at least one of the substrates, wherein a process for arranging the bonding agent on the barrier ribs includes:

an attaching process for attaching a bonding agent positioning member to the barrier ribs;

a first removing process for removing parts of the bonding agent positioning member attached to the barrier rib top's at positions corresponding to the specific pattern, to form a groove along each barrier rib top;

a bonding agent filling process for filling the grooves with the bonding agent, while maintaining the relative positions of the grooves and the barrier rib tops;

~~a first removing process for forming holes in the first member at positions corresponding to tops of the barrier ribs;~~

~~a bonding agent filling process for filling the holes in the first member with the bonding agent; and~~

a second removing process for removing the remaining bonding agent positioning member.

28. (Previously Presented) The display panel manufacturing method of Claim 27, wherein the attaching process is performed by attaching the bonding agent positioning member to the barrier ribs after an even connecting layer is formed on either the barrier ribs or the bonding agent positioning member.

29. (Currently Amended) The display panel manufacturing method of Claim 27, wherein the first removing process forms holes ~~removes~~ when parts of the bonding agent positioning member attached to the tops of the barrier ribs are removed by irradiating the surface of the bonding agent positioning member with a laser.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Original) The display panel manufacturing method of Claim 29, wherein a material used for the barrier rib tops absorbs laser light more easily than a material used for other parts of the barrier ribs.

32-34. (Canceled)

35. (Previously Presented) The display panel manufacturing method of Claim 27, wherein the second removing process removes the remainder of the bonding agent positioning member using one of peeling, melting and sublimation.

36-60. (Canceled)

61. (Currently Amended) The display panel manufacturing method of Claim 28, wherein the first removing process removes part of the bonding agent positioning member attached to the tops of the barrier ribs by irradiating the surface of the bonding agent positioning member with a laser[[,]].

62. (Canceled)

63. (Previously Presented) The display panel manufacturing method of Claim 27, wherein the bonding agent is arranged on the barrier ribs using a compound including a substance which is more difficult to melt the bonding agent.